

# Richardson May Resign To Run Against "Teddy" "Task For Lodge" At State Done As CIA Gets Entrenched

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Under Secretary of State Elliot L. Richardson will decide during the next two weeks whether to resign his current office and seek nomination as the Republican candidate for Senator to oppose Senator Edward M. Kennedy in 1970, this newspaper learned on October 24. Although Mr. Richardson's resignation would not be announced until early next year, his supporters need a private commitment from him now in order to prepare his campaign if he decides to run. *The Exchange* was informed.

A protege both of former United States Senator Leverett Saltonstall and of Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge, Mr. Richardson has long been associated with political affairs and has had intimate ties to the "clandestine" world of the Central Intelligence Agency, the source revealed.

A graduate of Harvard College and Harvard Law School, Mr. Richardson was Editor-in-Chief of the *Harvard Law Review*. Subsequently, he became Clerk to Judge Learned Hand and then to U.S. Supreme Court Justice Felix Frankfurter.

During this period he became closely associated with Adam Yarmolinsky, who was then the Clerk to U.S. Supreme Court Justice Stanley Reed. Subsequently Mr. Yarmolinsky joined the Washington law firm of Cleary, Gottlieb, Friendly and Ball. This firm, including George Wildman Ball as a senior partner, was one of the closest collaborators with the Central Intelligence Agency since its founding, the source revealed.

Richardson and CIA

Mr. Richardson's introduction to the affairs of the Central Intelligence Agency began in 1953 when he was named Assistant to Senator Leverett Saltonstall of Massachusetts, who together with Senator Richard Russell of Georgia provided the most powerful Senatorial backing for the CIA.

In 1955, Mr. Richardson was named Assistant to Governor Christian A. Herter of Massachusetts, who succeeded John Foster Dulles as Secretary of State. It was during the incumbency of Mr. Herter at the State Department and of Allen Dulles at the CIA that the United States began its plans to overthrow Fidel Castro, the source stated. These plans ended in the "fiasco" of the Bay of Pigs and resulted in the creation of a "New Team" at the CIA and the State Department under the direction of Robert F. Kennedy, the source added.

CIA and Green Berets

With the Kennedy "New Team" in being, the CIA took over operation and control of the Special Forces, popularly known as the "Green Berets", the source revealed. A "special relationship" in this operation was given by President Kennedy to

Henry Cabot Lodge whose selection as U.S. Ambassador to Saigon was designed to assure the removal of Ngo Dinh Diem as Premier of South Vietnam and to "Americanize" the Vietnamese War along the lines of guerilla warfare developed by General Maxwell Taylor and implemented by the "Green Berets", the source revealed.

Even as a Senator, Henry Cabot Lodge had become active in the pursuit of "guerilla" and "clandestine" warfare, the source recalled. For example, the Special Forces Commander Col. Robert Rheault, the top "Green Beret" involved in the death of Thai Khac Chuyen, whose body was thrown into Nhatrang Bay, was appointed to West Point by Senator Henry Cabot Lodge. Subsequently, while maintaining his ties to Henry Cabot Lodge, Robert Rheault served in secret operations carried out by the CIA and the Green Berets in Laos, Burma, and Yunnan.

The results of the "missions" of Robert Rheault were later "evaluated" in CIA headquarters by Ray S. Cline.

CIA at State

The principal role of Mr. Richardson at the State Department, according to the source, has been to re-establish "as far as possible" the "old team" type of relations between the Central Intelligence Agency and the State Department which had existed under John Foster Dulles and Allen Dulles. For this reason, Mr. Richardson was given full authority to deal with "personnel matters" at the State Department.

Key personalities in "restoring the old relations" whom Mr. Richardson has used include William B. Macomber, Jr., a former CIA officer and a protege and colleague of both John Foster Dulles and Allen Dulles. Mr. Macomber assumed office as Deputy Under Secretary of State for Administration on October 3, succeeding Idar Rimestad, and is now actively implementing the final stages of the infiltration by "old team CIA officers" of the State Department, the Agency for International Development and the Peace Corps.

Another key officer brought into the State Department from the CIA

is Ray S. Cline, who succeeded Thomas L. Hughes as Director of the State Department's Bureau of Intelligence and Research.

A career CIA officer, Ray Cline succeeded Robert Amory as Deputy Director of Intelligence on May 16, 1962, in the "shake-up" of the CIA following the Bay of Pigs "fiasco", the source revealed. Previously, he had been in the Office of Strategic Services as a Cryptanalyst. A Harvard University graduate who attended the "old school tie" which has run the CIA since its foundation, the source revealed. In this capacity and because of his residence at Oxford, Mr. Cline also served as CIA Liaison Officer with the British intelligence services, he added.

Under the "Kennedy New Team" concepts and procedures, Mr. Cline was kept fully abreast of the "dark side" operations of the CIA. He was therefore fully conversant of the plans developed for the arrival of Henry Cabot Lodge in Saigon and of the operational functions, including "triangulation", employed by the Green Berets in the overthrow and death of Premier Ngo Dinh Diem and of his brother Ngo Dinh Nhu in November 1963, the source revealed.

Lodge and Harriman

W. Averell Harriman was closely associated with Henry Cabot Lodge both in the planning of the overthrow of Diem and Nhu and in later "negotiations" with the North Vietnam government and with the Viet Cong. These "negotiations" took place in 1965 and 1966 through the "good offices" of the Italian and Polish governments, the source revealed.

Readers of *The Exchange* will recall that after its earlier exposure of the "special relations" which existed between American Ambassador to Warsaw, Jacob Beam, and Madam Myra Michalowski, the wife of the present Polish Ambassador to Washington, this newspaper subsequently reported in its April 17,

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